sctor t_0 generate power »n view of shortage of powe$_r$ all over t'ne country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER, AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The policy regarding power gene ration is regulated by the Industrial Policy Resolution, 1956 which contem plates that the future development of generation and distribution of electricity is the exclusive responsibility of the State. The Resolution does not preclude the expaniiion of existing privately owned units o$_r$ the possibility $_0$f the Stat$_e$ secur ing the ©^operation of private enterprise in the establishment $_0$f new units, when the national interest s$_0$ requires.

Telecommunication network with CH,

1248. SHRI K. VASUDEVA PANICKER: Will the Ministe$_r$ of ENERGY be pleaseti to state;

(a) whether Coal Indi$_a$ Limited (CIL) has developed its own telecommunication network for achieving planned objectives and ensunng constant monitoring; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) $_a$nd (b) Coal India Limited (ClL) has initiated action for developing a Telecommunication! system for 'h$_e$ CIL (Headquarters) and its subsidiaries. This envisages a surface telecommunication and satellite communication project. The surface telecommunication project comprises of activities like installation of T-43 exchange, (10 plus 50) PBX exchanges, P&T lines etc. This is proposed t_0 b$_e$ done in phases. I$_n$ the first phasea a capifal cost of Rs. 235 lakhs is estimated fo$_r$ the surface telecom scheme. For the satellite communication, the scheme is for ten stations in the first phase. The satellite stations wil] have facility t_0 provide a normal speech 'and a data channel from CIL headquarters. Cost of the project is estimated at Rs. 10 crores.

World bank loan for rural electrification

1249. SHRI J. P. GOYAL; Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) what is the lota, assistance given by the World B'ank so far fo$_r$ rural electrification programme in the country;

(b) what <s the percentage of this assistance given t_0 each State;

(c) whether it has been ensured that the States have utilised the World Bank assistance far the purpose for which it was given; and

(d) if $_s$o, what are the detajl$_s$ i$_n$ this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER, AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) The World Bank has so far provided 375.619 million TJ. S. Dollars as assistance for rural electrification programme jn th$_e$ country.

(b) A statement indicating the percentage of the total World Bank lo'an assistance given ^{l}o e^ch State is enclosed *(See* below).

(c) and (d) To ensure the utilisation of the Warlj Bank assistance provided to the States for th$_e$ rural electrification programme, monitoring \$_a$ done by Rural Electt -ifi.cat.ion Corporation regularly and by the World Bank from time to time.